

SAYS HIBERNIA IS SAFE BANK

Eugene F. Bert Declares There is No Reason for Run on Frisco Institution.

EXAMINERS SAY THAT BANK IS NOT WEAK

Has Behind It Eighteen Millions in Government Bonds in Addition to Other Valuable Assets - Other Banks Stand Behind It.

When Eugene F. Bert arrived in Portland this morning from San Francisco he was surprised to hear that the run on the Hibernia bank of his city still continues.

"The institution is absolutely safe," he said. "So sure am I of its stability I have advised my personal friends who have deposits with the Hibernia not to draw them out."

Mr. Bert speaks with authority, as he is one of the attorneys of the California state board of bank commissioners. In telling of what happened before he left San Francisco, Wednesday evening, he said:

"The run started Tuesday morning. At noon officials of the Hibernia sent word over to the bank commissioners asking them to make a thorough examination of the bank's affairs. The commissioners took up the work at once. I had made arrangements to leave town that evening, but at the request of J. Cal Kwing, secretary of the board of commissioners, I postponed my departure 24 hours. The bank examiners worked all day and far into the night. They resumed their task early Wednesday morning, and it was past noon before the investigation was completed. The result showed that the bank was perfectly sound. Among its assets were United States bonds to the amount of \$18,000,000.

"After completing the investigation the bank commissioner prepared and signed a statement to the public in general and the depositors in particular, assuring them that the Hibernia was as solid as a rock and that there was not the slightest cause for apprehension. I left town that night, believing that the statement would stop the run. I am surprised to hear that it has continued. There is no reason for it. Why, every bank in San Francisco sent word to the Hibernia. Our vaults are open to you, and the offer was declined with thanks."

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WANTED TO KNOW AND HE FOUND OUT

Since a horse has four legs and a man has only two, why should not a horse be as agile in stepping over high places as a man?

Such a substance was a question asked Police Judge Cameron, this morning by Jacob Crane, a junk wagon driver. Seeing two men walk over an ordinary open trestle on Hawthorne avenue between East First and East Third streets, Crane tried to roll with his junk wagon. The horse "fell in" of course, and Policeman Roney came along and arrested Crane for cruelty to animals. It took an hour's hard work to extricate the horse, during which time the animal fell on Crane's left foot and nearly broke it.

"You aren't fit to drive a monkey," said the judge, contemptuously. "Ten dollars fine."

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BIG BUILDING IS FINALLY SOLD

W. D. Hofius Buys Chamber of Commerce From United Railways Company.

BELIEVED THAT HE HAS NO ASSOCIATES

Agent Announces That Repairs to Building Will Begin Immediately and Be Rushed to Completion as Soon as Possible.

The deal for the purchase of the Chamber of Commerce from C. E. Lora and J. Whyte Evans was closed this morning. W. D. Hofius, a railway equipment man of Seattle, became owner of the big structure occupying the half block on Stark, between Third and Fourth. It is said that Mr. Hofius is in the deal alone and that he has no associates in the purchase. Last week it was announced that the deal was under way and that everything had been settled except the question of who should receive the insurance on the building—whether it, which amounts to \$55,000, should go to the purchaser or to Mr. Lora and Mr. Evans. This was settled yesterday morning and it is stated that Mr. Hofius gets the entire insurance.

Price Not Made Public.
The price paid for the property is not made public, but it is said to be quite an advance over that paid for the property by Mr. Evans on behalf of the United Railways. They paid for the Chamber of Commerce, it is understood, actually \$255,000, although the figures announced at the time of the sale was considerably in advance of that. By the terms of the sale closed this morning Mr. Evans and John B. Yeon release all their holdings in the stock of the United Railways and this goes to Mr. Lora, thus putting him into absolute control of all the stock of the railway, and in turn the building, instead of being held by Mr. Lora, as the principal owner of the United Railways, and Mr. Evans, passes to Mr. Hofius.

Will Be Repaired.
After the deal had been closed a representative of Mr. Hofius stated that neither time nor money will be spared in pushing the repairs to the building. The work will be started immediately and that part of the building damaged by fire will not only be restored, but a number of improvements to the entire structure will be made. Mr. Hofius and his friends believe he has made a profitable investment in the building. There is no question about ready operators that the half block occupied is easily worth \$200,000 in land value alone, making a price of \$150,000 for a quarter block, and that the building is worth from \$400,000 to \$500,000 more, thus placing the total valuation at between \$700,000 and \$800,000, while Hofius is said to have acquired the building for something less than the lower figure.

NEW CORPORATIONS FILE THEIR ARTICLES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Salem, Or., Sept. 14.—The following companies filed articles of incorporation in the office of the secretary of state today:
Glenair Irrigation company of Mount Hood, Wasco county, incorporators Granville C. Rust, William L. Hack-

AFTER SHUNNING WATER FIFTY YEARS JAKE FOX IS BATHED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Albany, Or., Sept. 14.—Living for years within a few feet of a large canal through which millions of gallons of water flow each day, aged Jake Fox, a character of a type seldom seen in days of civilization, who is reputed to have for more than 50 years shunned the liquid element, never taking a bath, washing his hands nor allowing an unnecessary quantity to trickle down the inside of his throat, is unwashed no longer. The anti-water advocate has just been committed to the insane asylum, where, it is reported, he has fought strenuously against the application of aqua pura to his person with such success that several attendants are required each time the rules of the institution require that the inmates bathe.

BOYS BUILD ROBBERS' ROOST AND IT CAUSES THEM TROUBLE

Because three small Portland boys built a robbers' roost 50 feet high in a pine tree and used a neighbor's buggy top to build it with, they had to explain to Judge Fraser in the juvenile court yesterday evening why they did it. There were no robbers, they said, but they did have the roost, high off the ground where only active boys of the tree-climbing species could get to it. The buggy cover had long been neglected, so long they thought that nobody wanted it, and it was the finest thing in the world to build a playhouse up a tree with. So they took the leather cover off, took the frame apart, and carried it piece by piece among the branches of the tree where they had already fashioned a floor of old boards. There the boys put the frame together

DONALD BOWLES SENDS BILL AFTER A BOX OF WRINKLES

Bill is a new boy that has been engaged at the Baker theatre to run errands for the actor folk. Now it is customary to worry the boys out of new boys on their first day of work, and Bill did not dodge it. He is an innocent sort of chap and he fell a ready victim to the wiles of Donald Bowles, whom Bill particularly admires.



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Ames Bag Manufacturing company of Portland, incorporators Zora Snow, C. McArthur, Wallace McCamant; capital stock, \$100,000.

CHINESE GIN FIENDS ARRESTED BY POLICE

That the police are determined to break up the white trade of the Chinese gin joints was demonstrated by the arrest of Joseph Goggins and Gus Hartman, who were caught early this morning in a joint at 143 Second street. The men were charged with vagrancy. This morning Goggins was sent to jail for 30 days. Hartman was allowed to go on his promise to leave the city.

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